

FOGG SIGNALS END OF WYCOMBE'S CUP RUN

INSIDE forward Ron Fogg put Bedford into the second round of the FA Cup last night—ending six and a half hours of soccer stalemate.

He headed the winner in the 75th minute of this rousing third replay, to earn the Eagles a trip to Oxford United and the chance of another run of Cup glory.

Wycombe, the Isthmian

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By NIGEL CLARKE

League amateurs, went out gallantly.

They had fought back from 2-0 down to draw level in a five-minute burst just after half-time.

It happened just when Bedford seemed to have the game sewn up.

Inside left Tony Horseman, who had already hit thirty-four goals this

season, got the first in the 46th minute. He lobbed the ball over Graham Willis's head, then blasted it past keeper Alan Collier.

Five minutes later, Collier tried to block a shot and the ball rebounded to give Horseman a simple equaliser.

Defensive errors had helped Bedford to an early

lead. A fifth-minute cross from Chris Riley was headed into his own net by centre half Ian Rundle.

Ten minutes later goalkeeper John Maskell failed to hold a shot from Dave Sturrock, and the ball ran clear for Riley to score.

With Wycombe looking weary towards the end, Danny Paton's stream of accurate crosses caused constant trouble to their defence, and it was from one of these that Fogg settled this marathon tie.

Wycombe give Bedford too big a start

By ALEX BANNISTER

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AFTER six and a half hours' football and in the third replay last evening, Bedford Town of the Southern League finally overcame the amateurs from Wycombe.

They now play Oxford United away in the second round of the FA Cup, and rarely can a match have been so hardly earned.

The vital goal, a flying header from Fogg from the ever-elusive Paton's cross, did not come until 15 minutes from the end.

I am not sure whether victors or vanquished deserve the higher praise. Perhaps it should go to Wycombe whose pride, valour and resilience enabled them to recover from the shattering experience of giving away two goals through defensive errors inside 16 minutes to equalise.

In the fifth minute Rundle headed into his own goal from a pass by Riley who must have been given the benefit of the doubt of being onside. Then goalkeeper Maskell failed to hold Sturrock's low cross drive and Riley was on hand to score easily.

Consolation

In all logic that should have been the end for the amateurs. But they were neither deflated nor dismayed, and within six minutes of the start of the second half Horseman, an opportunist, shot two brilliant goals.

The first was taken on the turn with his left foot, and the second dispatched into an unguarded goal after Collier had bravely blocked an effort by Samuels.

Roystone cleared off the line from Paton, Samuels was almost through, Riley had a "goal" disallowed, and when all the odds pointed to yet another draw the cool head and dribbling feet of Paton, who once played in a Scottish Cup Final for Hearts, finally tipped the scales for Bedford.

Bedford.—Collier, Morgan, Skinn; Willis, Collins, Cooley; Sturrock, Paton, Riley, Fogg, Benning.

Wycombe.—Maskell; Beck, Roystone, Baker, Rundle, Gale; Worley, Samuels, Bates, Horseman, Merrick.

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